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Friedman Now Offers to Buy Jewish Home

by Anne S. Davidson
Herald Editor

New York nursing home owner Jack Friedman, now known throughout Rhode Island's Jewish community as the man who offered to run the Jewish Home for the Aged, has submitted an offer to buy the facility for \$5.5 million and run it as a kosher Jewish facility "consistent with the spiritual and social needs of the Rhode

Island Jewish community," the *Herald* has learned. The petition was submitted to Superior Court Judge Richard J. Israel Tuesday as part of what the plaintiffs call a proposed settlement in the lawsuit against the home.

However, Martin M. Temkin, a lawyer for the Jewish Home, called the document "bizarre." "It's difficult to say what they want. But it's certainly nothing that resembles a settlement of-

fer," he told the *Herald*.

But the plaintiffs' lawyers maintain that the offer would satisfy both parties in the lawsuit, fulfilling the plaintiffs' wish to preserve the home's 81-year-old mission and the defendants' desire to sell the home while, at the same time, increasing its endowment. This money could then be used "to fund the activities and programs of the home," they write.

"We figure that if we give [Martin Temkin] an offer that he can't refuse, maybe everybody would be better off," said Z. Hershel Smith, one of the plaintiffs' lawyers.

Lawyers for the plaintiffs called Temkin last week to discuss the proposal, but an Oct. 27 court order stipulates that any negotiations regarding the facility's sale stop until he makes a ruling.

"It would be an act of bad faith on the home's part, in view of the contractual arrangements previously made, to negotiate with another party," Temkin wrote in a letter to lawyer Thomas W. Pearlman, who represents four former residents of the home in the lawsuit.

Temkin is referring to the offer from Antonio L. Giordano, (Continued on Page 18)

Marders Lauded by Community

by Taylor Holland
Herald Reporter

Sunday was a special night for Rabbi Chaim Marder and his wife, Suzie Marder, as they were honored at Congregation Beth Shalom — Sons of Zion, where Rabbi Marder has served the congregation for four years.

The rabbi and his wife were lauded throughout the evening by members of the local community and mentors from the past as a crowd of a few hundred looked on.

Providence Mayor Vincent Cianci Jr. sent a representative to award the couple with citations for their service to the community and thanked them for their dedication and values.

Steve Schechter, president of

the synagogue, said, "Chaim Marder is a person who combines wisdom with the compassion of a teacher."

Both the Marders' fathers spoke of their dedication to their family and to their community and congregation.

Friends of Rabbi Marder's from his time at rabbinical school made the trip from New York, as did the siblings of the honorees.

Also attending the event was Rabbi Avi Weiss, of the Hebrew Institute in Riverdale, N.Y. Rabbi Marder served as assistant rabbi under Rabbi Weiss.

Rabbi Marder was very humble in his acceptance of the praise and said he felt uncomfortable at the podium for the first time.



One Step at a Time

President Bill Clinton and Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin leave an Oval Office meeting heading toward an East Room press conference recently. "We must not allow the opponents of that agreement to derail the new progress that this year has brought," Clinton said. In his remarks, Rabin told the president, "I return home stronger in many aspects, more confident in our ability to reach peace."



Reading Pays

Harriet and Norman Salzman count the receipts from the Sunday morning school book fair at Temple Torat Yisrael.

Herald photo by Alison Smith

Inside Israel with Chamish

by Alison Smith
Herald Reporter

A talk by Barry Chamish Nov. 18 at the Brown Faculty Club stirred up strong emotions and reactions. The speech, sponsored by the World Affairs Council of Rhode Island, could very well have been titled "Israel as Seen by Chamish" because that's what it was—a no-holds-barred view of what's wrong with modern Israel by an investigative reporter.

Chamish was born in Winnipeg, went to Jerusalem during the Yom Kippur War, and stayed. He and his wife and two children live in a small town outside of Jerusalem. His partner, Joel Bainerman, and he publish a monthly investigative newsletter called *Inside Israel*, and between them they have written many articles for prestigious publications and several books.

The first thing he wanted to get across that evening was that Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin is going against the will of most

Israelis with the current peace program. Chamish said Rabin has sunk drastically in the polls, and it has been common knowledge for 20 years that Rabin had a severe substance abuse problem. One of the recent political slogans was, "We want a sober government, not a drunk."

He suggested that anyone who watched Rabin's recent appearance on the McNeil Lehrer program must have wondered about him after hearing Rabin's slurred speech, and trying to make sense out of his responses.

Chamish believes that Rabin's personal problems and his deep involvement with the Iran Contra Affair and other unsavory deals while he was defense minister from 1984 to 1990 make him vulnerable to pressure from the U.S. government and others like Peres, and that the current peace process did not originate with Norway, but in our own state department, and that it has been pushed hard by the United States since its

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INSIDE THE OCEAN STATE



Advocates for the Elderly

The Governor's Justice Commission and the Rhode Island Crime Prevention Officers Association present an award recently to the Commission for the Care and Safety of the Elderly at the Statehouse. The commission initiated the first senior advocate program in the United States. Each city/town police department in the state has designated a person on the force to serve as an advocate for elderly persons. Seen here (from left) are Anna Tucker, chairwoman for the Commission for the Care and Safety of the Elderly; Loriann Agag, Governor's Justice Commission; Suzette Gebhard, executive director for the Governor's Commission; Denise E. Owens, Narragansett Police Department, president of the Rhode Island Crime Prevention Officers Association. *Photo by Marie Costabile-Rosca*

R.I. Lung Association Offers the New England Children's Fun Pass

Rhode Island Lung Association has teamed up with Lung Associations throughout New England to produce the New England Children's Fun Pass. Lung Association friends can support local lung health programs and services for children and adults while taking advantage of great children's discounts at fun area attractions.

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The pass offers 38 attractions in nearby Massachusetts alone, all accessible with significant savings. Skiing families will enjoy free admissions to many of the best slopes New Hamp-

shire and Vermont have to offer, including Black Mountain, Loon Mountain, Mt. Sunapee, Pats Peak, Stowe Mountain, and Sugarbush. Visit museums, zoos, aquariums, and playlands of all types, including Connecticut's Mystic Seaport, Vermont's Santa's Land, U.S.A., and Shelburne Museum, and Maine's Palace Playland and York's Wild Kingdom.

Worth more than \$1,000, the Fun Pass is priced at \$15; however, "smart shoppers" can save even more on the pass by reserving their now at a discount price of \$13 for one or \$25 for two. This offer is only good through Dec. 25.

Call the Lung Association at 421-6487 now for more information or to order by phone.

Sailors Group Seeks Members

The U.S. Navy Cruiser Sailors Association is now actively seeking new members to swell its ranks.

Membership is open to all ship's company, marine detachment, aviation division personnel and flag members that served or are serving aboard cruisers. Associate memberships are available for past and present navy men and women, reservists, widows of cruiser men and interested individuals.

For information, contact Ronald J. Maciejowski, secretary, U.S.N.C.S.A., 35 Donna Terrace, Taunton, Mass. 02780, (U.S.S. Worcester CL-144).

Disabled Vets to Receive Increase

The Department of Veterans Affairs (VA) has announced that disabled veterans will receive a 2.6 percent increase in their compensation payments, effective Dec. 1.

The cost-of-living allowance was included in legislation signed by President Clinton on Veterans Day, Nov. 11. Veterans will begin receiving the higher payments in their Dec. 31 check.

Almost 2.2 million veterans are affected by the increase. Their monthly payments will now range from \$87 for a single veteran with a 10-percent disability rating to \$1,774 for a single veteran with a 100-percent disability rating.

Also affected are more than 34,000 survivors of veterans or service members who died from service-connected causes.

Veterans whose service-connected disabilities are rated 30 percent or higher may receive additional allowances for dependents, based on the number of dependents and extent of disability.

For further information, contact the Providence Regional Office, 380 Westminster Mall, Providence, R.I. 02903 at 273-4910 or toll-free (800) 827-1000.

OCEAN STATE NEWS BRIEFS

A Winter Clothing Drive, sponsored by Lincoln School at 301 Butler Ave., will start on Dec. 1 and end on Dec. 15. Delivery to the Joslin Community Center will take place on Dec. 17. All kinds of warm clothing are needed, especially winter coats; call 331-9696.

Scientific, a workshop on magnetism, will take place Dec. 3, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. at the Children's Museum of Rhode Island in Pawtucket. Each participant will make their own star magnet for the refrigerator; same day registration is required; call 726-2591 at 8:30 a.m. to register and for fee information.

A Home and Health Tour on Dec. 4 from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. will benefit the Women's Center of Rhode Island's shelter. The tour will feature 10 homes in Providence and Barrington. Wheeler School Field House in Providence will serve as tour center, and will host a refreshment table; call 521-4166.

The Best of Rhode Island Festival will take place at the new Rhode Island Convention Center Dec. 4 from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. Admission is free. A trade show, art and historical exhibits, food tastings and appearances by local celebrities, music, and other activities will be offered; call 351-2700.

Safe Place, a support group for those coping with the suicide of a friend or relative, will meet on Dec. 7, 14, 21 and 28 at 2 Magee St., Providence, from 7:30 to 9 p.m.; call 272-4516.

The literature of trauma — a collective record of the suffering of victims of personal catastrophe (i.e. rape, incest, the Holocaust, the Vietnam War) — will be the topic Dec. 7 at 4 p.m. in the Rhode Island Room, University Club, URI's Kingston Campus. Dr. Kall Tal, author of *Words of Heart* will speak; call 792-5931.

Cardiac patients and their spouses are invited to attend "An Evening with Spouses" Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. in the Dining Room 3 at Memorial Hospital of Rhode Island. The creation of a support group will be discussed; call Susan Potter at 729-2503.

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FEATURE

WWI Vet, 98, Recalls Stormy Seas

by David Singband

Michael Freedman leans back in his easy chair at the Rhode Island Veterans Home and lets his mind drift back almost 76 years.

The 98-year-old Navy veteran remembers standing on the deck of the USS Nicholson, somewhere off the coast of Europe, watching a scuttled German U-boat slip beneath the cold water, taking its captain with it.

The captain, who sank the ship once the crew was safe aboard another American ship, wasn't necessarily a brave man or a stupid man, Freedman said. He was simply a "dedicated German captain. That's all."

As the Germans climbed aboard the Fanning, someone, probably the submarine captain, opened the ballast valves and sank the ship.

World War I changed the face of war by introducing submarine warfare, chemical weapons, the tank and mass slaughter to the world.

Seventy-nine years later, the first "total" war is remembered only in yellowed photographs, jerky film footage and by the few soldiers left alive who served.

Among them is Freedman, who was born May 1, 1895, in Manchester, England.

His father, a raincoat maker, moved to Cranston when Freedman was 9 years old and, a year later, sent for his family.

Freedman, the oldest of 10 children, rode on his father's horse-drawn cart, delivering beer for a local brewery as soon as he arrived in the United States. When he was 11 years old, he got a job with a North Providence fruit peddler, who sold produce from a horse-drawn wagon.

"I didn't go near the horse," Freedman said from his room at the Rhode Island Veterans Home. "He'd bite you."

As the horse clopped down a street, customers leaned out of their windows and yelled for potatoes or strawberries or whatever they needed that day. Young Freedman grabbed a bag or basket and ran to deliver the order. Sometimes, as he clambered up the stairs, he ate a few berries himself.

He lived with his boss during the week and went home on weekends. He made \$2 a week, plus room and board. In 1913, while traveling around the United States, Freedman decided to join the Navy in Cleveland. At the time, one had to be 21 to join, so he added six years to his age and took St. Patrick's Day as his birthday.

About a year later, on June 28, Serbian nationalist Gavrilo Princip assassinated Austrian Archduke Francis Ferdinand, precipitating Europe's descent into the "war to end all wars."

The United States under President Woodrow Wilson tried to avoid getting entangled

in Europe's war, leaving Freedman to serve as a boiler operator and Water Tender 1st Class in peace for three years.

He was on a destroyer docked in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba, when the United States declared war on Germany on April 6, 1917.

Though he had only six months left to serve on his initial enlistment, Freedman decided to go to Europe with his comrades.

"I wanted to go," he said. "I was patriotic. I figured the country was good to me and I figured I'd be good to the country if I could help."

After steaming to Ireland, Freedman re-enlisted in the Fleet Naval Reserve and continued serving in Navy blues until 1921.

German U-boats were taking a heavy toll on Allied shipping. Freedman's ship, the USS Nicholson, patrolled the eastern Atlantic Ocean for the submarines. The sub hunters patrolled the ocean for a week at a time and returned to port for resupply and refueling, Freedman said.

Most of the time, the ships escorted convoys or rescued survivors of sunken merchantmen, while keeping a watch for German subs, he said.

On Nov. 17, 1917, the Nicholson's sister ship, the USS Fanning, spotted a periscope and immediately attacked with depth charges. The Nicholson joined the action as the first charges hit the German submarine. The damaged U-boat surfaced rapidly and its crew scrambled onto the deck, hands raised in surrender. It was the first of two U-boats to fall victim to U.S. Navy destroyers in World War I.

"They all got up on the top-side," Freedman said. "There was a gang of about 15 to 20 sailors. The Fanning took the prisoners. We kept circling around so that everything would be all right."

The American sailors weren't particularly excited by the appearance of the submarine, Freedman remembered. "We didn't have to do any shooting," he said. "You knew the submarine was helpless for some reason or another."

As the Germans climbed aboard the Fanning, someone, probably the submarine cap-



FOUR GENERATIONS OF FREEDMANS—World War I veteran Michael Freedman is honored recently with a medal on the anniversary of Armistice Day. Seen with him are his two great-grandsons, Joshua and Nathan Freedman, his grandson, Joel Freedman (left) and his son, Stanley Freedman (center).

Photo by Eloise Weston

tain, opened the ballast valves and sank the ship, he said.

"He went down with the submarine," he said. "That was the end of that."

The war ended for Freedman on the USS Phillip as it refueled from a tanker off the coast of northern Ireland. A storm blew in, smashing the two ships together. The Phillip sustained damage to bulkheads and outside plating, but sailed soon afterward to the United States. As it limped across the ocean, the armistice was signed in November 1918.

Freedman and his fellow sailors didn't get back home immediately. Because a worldwide influenza epidemic was devastating the United States — killing 20 million people worldwide by 1920 — the ship detoured to the Azores before returning home Nov. 20.

Freedman returned to Rhode Island and became a steamfitter's helper and joined Steamfit-

He has five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. His wife died last year.

Seventy-five years after the war, Freedman lives in the Rhode Island Veterans Home on Metacom Avenue. Age and gravity have bent him, but he remains keenly interested in the world at large.

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EDITORIAL

Paul Revere or Chicken Little? A Matter of Life and Death

by Alison Smith
Herald Reporter

Barry Chamish, who spoke last week at the Brown Faculty Club (see Page 1), is not a temperate man. Listening to him, I was reminded of Paul Revere riding through the countryside on a spring night, to warn the colonists about the British.

Revere did not say, "Look fellows — if you're not otherwise occupied right now, and if you don't have too heavy a day planned for tomorrow, would you please get up and get your rifle and join the others to see if we can't do something about these Brits coming up the road?"

No. He said, "Up! Now! Get ready! The British are coming!" Chamish said in delicate things and was very plain-spoken. He sounded like a man who was trying to warn everybody about a danger he saw as imminent. People don't like to be warned.

When a woman in the audience acidly suggested that, if he didn't like it, he could leave, one recognized a familiar response to the short, simple wrong answer. There is always a short, simple, wrong answer. When blacks, liberals, whistle-blowers, and women in jobs where men don't want them to

complain about perceived wrongs, someone always says, "If you don't like it..."

Of course, Chamish's idea of cutting off all aid now is also short, simple and wrong. You do not whip someone's crutch out from underneath him simply because you have decided that he has become too dependent on it.

The effect of such a sudden action in the Middle East would be unsettling and catastrophic. Severe suffering would result. Our own reputation as a nation would be forever, irreparably damaged.

But maybe givers should have a fuller accounting of where their money goes, and maybe, if charges of graft and corruption have been made, searching questions should be asked, and asked again, till the answers jibe with the facts.

If the leaders of Israel are not as they have been portrayed to us, don't we deserve to learn the truth? If we have been naive, who among us would care to remain so?

Are our policies based almost completely on our own national interests and not on the need for a just peace in the East? If so, aren't we entitled to know that, too?

The Lubavitcher rebbe's position of not trading land for peace has been strong, unequivocal and unchanging. Many have thought that the rebbe's position comes from wanting to retain or encourage the biblical borders of the holy land.

But this is not the reason. It is clearly and simply, as the rebbe has stated scores of times, a matter of p'kuach nefesh — a matter of life and death.

OPINION

Rabbi Benny Elon, head of the settlement movement "Eminim," told reporters on March 18, "I now admit that when the Lubavitcher rebbe used to speak about holding on to every inch of territory, there were many of us who thought that this stemmed from some kind of messianic-redemption ideology. We failed to grasp his real message that it is a matter of life or death without any other consideration involved."

The peace plan cannot end and will not control terrorist groups like Hamas, Hezbollah, and factions of the PLO who are sworn to our destruction. We must remember that no terrorist organization (except one faction of the PLO) has agreed to any of the terms of the negotiations. In fact, all of them have sworn to oppose it.

And while some would have us believe that only the "settlers" are at risk, these terrorists thirst for the elimination of all the Jewish people in Israel, not just those living in the "territories."

With Israel's borders reduced, Ashkelon, Tel Aviv, Haifa — all of Israel — each Israeli home will be in range of a terrorist katyusha rocket.

A katyusha rocket has a range of 30 miles, far enough to



"PLEASE UNDERSTAND..." — Barry Chamish makes a point during his talk on conditions inside Israel, Nov. 18, at the Brown Faculty Club. His appearance was sponsored by the World Affairs Council of Rhode Island. Herald photo by Alison Smith

strike every city in Israel from its pre-1967 border. A katyusha can be carried to a hilltop on the back of a donkey and fired with a metal tube and car battery. It can, and will, be smuggled through dozens of pathways and seaports.

Israel will be only nine miles wide at its most populated area. Each flight to and from Ben Gurion Airport will be a target. This is not an issue for the settlers only. Every Israeli, every tourist and visitor will be at risk.

If the Golan, Samaria, and Judea are surrendered, all of Israel is vulnerable to attack, left without protection from its enemies. The Golan provides Israel's only barrier against

Syria. From its heights every hostile move can be detected. Control of its mountain roads allows us to repel enemy troop and tank movements. Without it, military experts agree, we are helpless.

Judea and Samaria create a barrier to attacking armies from the east. Its mountains are home to our early warning radar. This span of West Bank land affords precious seconds for our Air Force to repel any attack.

The U.S. Department of Defense, in a recently declassified report, stated that "without these areas for defense, Israel's vulnerability would be a temptation for Arab attack."

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Candlelighting

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Fifty Years Ago in the Rhode Island Jewish Herald

— WEEK OF NOVEMBER 26, 1943 —

New Plan for Partition in Palestine being Considered

CAIRO — A new plan of partition is now under consideration as a solution of the Palestine question, it was learned authoritatively by the N.Y. Post. The plan has already been tentatively submitted to several Arab politicians. While details of this proposal have been worked out, they may not be disclosed at this time. It can be stated, however, that it differs widely from the proposal put forth in 1937 by the Peel Royal Commission, under which all Jews were to be brought within the proposed Jewish territory and no Arabs would be left under Jewish rule.

Samuel Magid Re-Elected Home Head for 11th Term

Samuel M. Magid was elected president of the Jewish Home for Aged of Rhode Island for his 11th consecutive term at the annual meeting of the Home held last Tuesday evening in the Home auditorium. Other officers elected were Judge Philip C. Joslin, Jacob I. Felder, and Mrs. Samuel Michaelson, vice-presidents; Milton Sulzberger, treasurer; Benjamin Brier, financial secretary; Herman J. Aisenberg, recording secretary; Edward Blackman, accountant and auditor. Members of the Board of Directors include Saul Abrams, Dr. Ilie Berger, Jacob Berkelhammer, Charles C. Brown, Nat C. Cohen, David Dwares, Irving I. Fain, Jacob I. Felder, Abe C. Fine, George Gerber, James Goldman, Max L. Grant, William P. Herman, Harry Loeb Jacobs, Irwin Kane, Samuel Lazarus, Jacob Licht, David Myers, Lues Reter, Milton Sappimley, Harry Schwartz, Samuel Soforenko, Alvin Sopkin, Max Sugarman, Herman Swartz, Morris Waldman and Jacob Shore.

Beth-Israel Plans to Burn Mortgage

Temple Beth-Israel will burn its mortgage at exercises that will take place Sunday, December 26, it was announced this week by officials of the Temple. The observation will be followed by a dance to be held at the Narragansett Hotel. Ira S. Galkin, president of the Temple, will be general chairman of the affair.

OPINIONS

Here's What I Think

by Rabbi Hershey Worch
Special to the Herald



Money is like manure, to be spread about to make other things grow. For, when money is kept in storage it becomes, like you-know-what, a cess-pool or midden.

Which reminds me of a story. A man came to the psychiatrist. The doctor asked him why had he come.

"My family thinks I need to see a psychiatrist," answered the man.

"Why do you think your family thinks that?"

"Because of the pancakes," the man said.

"What pancakes?"

"Well, doctor, you see, I love pancakes."

"There's nothing wrong in that. I myself am extremely fond of pancakes," the doctor said.

"You are? Oh! Won't you love my place then. You must come and see it. I have pancakes everywhere — the basement, the attic. I have closets full of pancakes. Oh, doctor, I'm so glad to have met you."

Now, you and I might both agree that the man in the story is meshugga. But what would you say if instead of hoarding pancakes, he hoarded dollar bills?

Not so clear cut, huh?

I think we've become so comfortable with double-speak and double standards, that by now, people with vaults full of money are even smarter than

those who only have drawers full.

Imagine a community like ours deciding to start a free baby-car-seat loan society, where families with grown children could donate car seats for other families to use.

What would you think if they continued to accumulate car seats until there were 27,482 of them stored in basements all over the city? And what would you say if they continued to campaign for more car seats?

OPINION

The Pawtucket and Central Falls Free Loan Society is a good example of this kind of meshugga. It was started a long time ago by Jewish immigrants to help each other in times of need. The applicant had to pay a yearly membership and join the society. Then, provided guarantors could be found to underwrite the loan, he could borrow money with no collateral and without paying interest.

The idea for Jewish free-loan funds is an ancient and noble one — they are called Gemilath Chesed Funds and may be found all over the world, where

ever Jews settle; Providence, too, has one.

The Pawtucket Gemilath Chesed has well over \$100,000 sitting, accumulating interest in various banks and vaults. The general consensus at the annual general meeting I attended not long ago was that efforts need to be made to attract new members, who will swell the coffers at the usual rate.

There are no plans to actually spend or put the money to work in Pawtucket or Central Falls. The bylaws of the society are carefully worded, I believe, to prevent that. An Israel bond was purchased at some time (I'm not sure how the bylaws felt about it), but Israel is felled about it?

The founders of the fund would be astounded to know that the money contributed this year will simply join the money from last year in the Old Stone Bank, with virtually no hope that it will ever be put to the use for which it was consecrated. I'm sure they'll be glad to know it's earning the best possible rate of interest, though.

I think it imprudent at best and scandalous at least for grown Jewish men to sit talking about the mitzvah of Gemilath Chesed, whilst yearly watching its bank balance metastasize. Imprudent because it's ripe for Rhode Islanditis and scandalous because it isn't a mitzvah, it's a sin.

For more about money, hoarding and other Jewish life-cycle events, you know whom to call, don't you?

A Servant or a Son?

This week's Torah portion, Vayishlach, narrates Jacob's victorious struggle with the angel and the subsequent changing of his name to Israel. "Not Jacob shall your name any more be called, but Israel, for you have striven with G-d and with man, and prevailed."

When a son fulfills his father's wishes, he does so joyfully and out of love. A servant, however, is not necessarily overjoyed at the opportunity to carry out his master's command, quite frequently doing so only because he has no choice in the matter.



The names "Jacob" and "Israel" are used to refer to the entire Jewish people; each of the two terms emphasizes a particular characteristic of the Jewish nation. According to Hasidic philosophy, "Jacob" and "Israel" symbolize two levels in the Jew's relationship with G-d.

Jews are referred to as both servants of G-d and as G-d's sons. As "servants," they are called "Jacob" — "hearken unto me, Jacob, my servant." As "sons," they are called "Israel" — "my son, my firstborn, Israel."

The difference between a servant and a son is obvious.

Both situations apply to our own lives, in our own personal service of G-d. A Jew can pray, learn Torah, observe the mitzvot and serve his father like a son, or he can perform the very same actions without joy, like a servant serves his master. When a Jew stands on the level of "Israel," he will joyfully fulfill his father's commands, experiencing no inner

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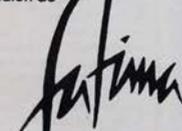
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Speech Was Videotaped

A speech given by Holocaust survivor Morris Gastfreund on the anniversary of Kristallnacht at the Holocaust memorial dedication was videotaped and is available for the public to view, according to Beth Cohen, curator of the Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial Museum.

She said the museum routinely videotapes survivors' testimony and speeches. The public is welcome to view the tapes. For more information or to schedule an appointment to view a tape, contact Beth Cohen at 861-8800.

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WORLD AND NATIONAL NEWS

Most Israelis Now Oppose Pact with PLO, Poll Shows

by Michele Chabin

JERUSALEM (JTA) — The wave of Arab violence that has overtaken Israelis since Israel signed a self-rule accord with the Palestine Liberation Organization in September has eroded public confidence in the peace process to such an extent that now more Israelis oppose the agreement than favor it.

The reversal of Israeli support for the accord was revealed in the latest opinion poll, which was published in the Hebrew daily *Ma'ariv* Nov. 12.

Of 505 Jewish men and women polled two weeks ago, 39 percent expressed support for the Israel-PLO pact, while 45 percent said they were against it.

The remaining 16 percent surveyed expressed no opinion. These findings contrast sharply with the results of polls taken immediately after the Sept. 13 White House signing ceremony. At that time, the majority of Israelis favored granting limited autonomy to the Palestinians.

One small signal that Israelis are now having doubts about the future is the emergence of stickers and T-shirts bearing the peace process. One T-shirt hanging in a shop downtown

showed a smiling PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat and the words, "Would you buy a used car from this man?"

The latest statistics were backed up by conversations with a random sampling of residents of Jerusalem.

Most of those interviewed by the Jewish Telegraphic Agency last week said they do not trust the PLO chairman, saying he lacks the strength or determination to eliminate terrorism from the territories.

"I was very optimistic about the peace treaty a couple of days before it was signed," said Talia Heller, a 23-year-old sociologist, "but that feeling has given way to pessimism."

"While I was prepared for some acts of Arab terror against Israelis, I was really unprepared for Arafat's lack of a response. When he finally did denounce one of the attacks, it was only because he was pressed by the international community," she said.

Heller was referring to Arafat's public denunciation of the Oct. 29 killing of settler Chaim Mizrahi after Israeli security sources revealed that the five men being held for that crime have admitted they were members of Arafat's Al Fatah movement.

Violence Leaves Many Skeptical

by David Landau

JERUSALEM (JTA) — Despite government calls for moderation and warnings that the law would be strictly enforced for Israelis and Palestinians alike, disturbances erupted in several locations in the West Bank and Gaza Strip during a single day of violence that left many here skeptical about the prospects for peace.

In Gaza on Nov. 16, an Israeli policeman was stabbed in the chest and his assailant, a young Palestinian, was shot dead by a witness to the incident.

In the West Bank town of Ramallah, soldiers shot dead a young Palestinian and wounded another after being pelted with stones from a school.

And the same day in Hebron, Israeli settlers went on a rampage in the center of town, overturning stalls, smashing windows and jostling Palestinians.

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin, who was briefing Arab reporters on Nov. 16 at the end of his visit to Washington, said that Israeli security forces had largely failed at stopping the violence committed by terrorists and Israeli settlers.

"I can't say that we suc-

ceeded to prevent assassinations by extreme Palestinian terror groups of Israelis, and I cannot say that we have succeeded always to control reaction by the settlers to these assassinations," he said.

A Matter of Life and Death

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So strategic are these areas to Israel's security that the United States, in its desire for Mideast stability, is offering its troops on the Golan, and perhaps in the West Bank as well.

But can we count on America to protect us when terrorists attack or, G-d forbid, the treaty fails? How many U.S. soldiers will, G-d forbid, have to sacrifice their lives at the hands of terrorists before America demands her brave young sons home?

The war of Arab against Jew is not political. It is an Islamic religious war dedicated to the destruction of the Jewish people and the land of Israel. This entity will not be legislated by a political struggle to maintain power.

Israel was created in strength out of a need for strength. Peace was not its purpose; protection of the Jewish people was and should still be.

This peace once again places Jews at risk for their lives. All Jews, not just the "settlers." Israel's goal should be Israel's preservation. A preservation based on strength. Based on the wisdom of history. Based on truth, not on wishful, naive thinking.

Silence is being taken for consent. But if the Jews of Israel value safety and security, if the Jews of the Diaspora value having a refuge and homeland, then all Jews must voice their protest against this travesty. All Jews — not just the settlers.

From an article by Jay Litvin/Chabad of Israel.

Paul Revere or Chicken Little?

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Is our news about Israel managed? Are we told what someone wishes us to hear, and not what actually is going on? It's tragically easy, by simple omission or careful phrasing, to slant a story so the reader gets the wrong (?) impression. Perhaps it is time to read each news release critically, with an eye for signs of hidden unrest.

One member of Chaimish's audience asked pointedly if he wrote fiction. He bristled, but handled the question well. Judging from the thoughtful silence in the room, some were picking up the gut-wrenching aroma of unpleasant, unwelcome truth, and wishing it were all fiction.

Is Barry Chaimish a modern "Chicken Little," warning us that the sky over Israel is about to fall, or is he an Israeli Paul Revere, shouting at us to wake up and do something?



INTERNATIONAL

JERUSALEM (JTA) — A group of 119 olim from strife-ridden Armenia landed in Israel early Nov. 17 after a 30-hour ordeal. The arduous flight, marked by long delays and an unexpected detour, resulted in large part from fuel shortages in Armenia and Georgia. Jewish Agency officials accompanying the olim literally had to scavenge for fuel among the planes parked on the tarmac at Telvis.

TEL AVIV (JTA) — While speaking before the Knesset last week, Foreign Minister Shimon Peres made a comment that almost brought the house down around him. During a Knesset debate Nov. 17 on the escalating violence in the Gaza Strip and West Bank, Peres was answering criticism from members of the opposition, some of whom were calling on the government to call off the peace talks until radical Arabs ceased their attacks on Israelis. Peres responded by saying that Israeli security forces were doing all in their power to halt the attacks. He then added: "The most that Yasser Arafat can do at the moment [about escalating violence] is to renounce the attacks — until he forms a Palestine state in Gaza and Jericho." His reference to a "Palestine state" created the furor.

NATIONAL

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Israel and the Vatican are on the verge of an agreement to establish diplomatic ties, according to an official at the Israeli Embassy here. The agreement would create the first official relations between the Jewish state and the Catholic Church.

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Members of Congress are engaged in a flurry of activity designed to end the Arab economic boycott of Israel, amid signs that the Israel-Palestine Liberation Organization self-rule agreement itself has had little effect in doing so. Several pieces of legislation have been introduced in recent weeks, at the same time as the Clinton administration has asked the U.S. International Trade Commission to study the impact of the boycott on American business.

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WORLD AND NATIONAL NEWS

Hopeful Sign as Economic Talks Begin in Paris

by Michel Di Paz

PARIS (JTA) — Israeli and Palestine Liberation Organization officials convened here last week to begin their first formal economic talks in an effort to build a viable Palestinian administrative entity in the Gaza Strip and West Bank town of Jericho.

Meanwhile, with less than a month remaining before Israel is scheduled to begin withdrawing its troops from Gaza and Jericho, Israeli and Palestinian negotiators were reporting progress in their Cairo-based talks.

Those talks, which entered their sixth round last week, focused on Israeli troop withdrawals.

In Paris, heading the economic talks, which began Nov. 16, were Israeli Finance Minister Avraham Shohat and the top official of the PLO economic division, Ahmed Karia, also known as Abu Alaa.

"The economy is one of the main issues of the peace process," said Alaa. "I believe that cooperation between us based on parity and equality will create and motivate this process and will help to make a real change on the ground."

Shohat urged the PLO to maintain close economic ties with Israel after Palestinian self-rule in the territories begins.

"Only through open and unrestricted trade can the West Bank and Gaza and Israel fulfill their potential," he said.

"It is precisely at this moment when we have begun to remove the barriers of hatred, that we must prevent the creation of new barriers — economic or political — which could restrict future joint progress," said Shohat.

Alaa was the PLO official who headed the secret negotiations with Israel earlier this year in Oslo, Norway, that re-

sulted in the historic agreement signed in Washington on Sept. 13.

The Economic Committee was created following the Oct. 6 meeting in Cairo between Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin and PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat.

The economic talks are aimed at establishing a framework of cooperation between Israel and the Palestinian authority that will administer Gaza and Jericho when Israel begins withdrawing its troops from the two regions.

That withdrawal, which is scheduled to begin Dec. 13 and to be completed by April 13, has been a source of contention between the two parties.

Two weeks ago, the Palestinians suspended the talks in the Sinai border town of Taba, saying that the Israeli proposals for troop withdrawals did not go far enough.

The talks were reconvened

Nov. 8 in an undisclosed location in Cairo in an effort to conduct the negotiations away from the glare of the media spotlight.

On Nov. 16, the second day of the talks in Cairo last week, Israeli as well as Palestinian sources indicated that progress had been made on the issue of security arrangements, including how Israel Defense Force troops will be redeployed after the withdrawals. No details were provided.

Also in Cairo last week, negotiators from 40 regional and overseas countries reported a first tangible breakthrough in the multilateral talks on environmental issues.

With cash subsidies provided by the World Bank, modern equipment for coping with oil spills will be bought and stored in the Jordanian port of Aqaba, for use by any of the four states bordering the Red Sea — Jordan, Israel, Egypt and Saudi Arabia — who may need it in an emergency.

And he paid homage to Israel's architect of that deal.

"I more than appreciate the courage of the late prime minister of Israel, Menachem Begin, when he took the decision to give back a large percentage of Sinai," Rabin said.

He admitted that, by negotiating with the PLO, he had broken a campaign promise.

But he chose this route, he said, after he realized that the organization was calling the shots for the Palestinian negotiating team.

Rabin Denies Plans to Abandon 'United' Jerusalem

by Bram D. Eissenthal

MONTREAL (JTA) — Recalling his roots and role in the modern history of Jerusalem, a visibly angered Yitzhak Rabin has denied suggestions that he had abandoned his commitment to a united city.

"I'm committed to a united Jerusalem and no one will teach me what is a united Jerusalem," the Israeli prime minister said at a news conference hours before he was to address the General Assembly of the Council of Jewish Federations in Montreal.

"I was born in Jerusalem, the first Israeli prime minister to be born in Jerusalem," he said.

"I commanded a brigade that fought along the road to Jerusalem, a brigade that lost more than any of the other brigades in the War of Independence."

He said he had "had a unique role" in bringing about the city's unification when he was Israel Defense Force chief of staff during the 1967 Six-Day

War.

"You don't have to tell me and no one has to tell me the meaning of a united Jerusalem," the prime minister said.

"No one has to tell me the meaning of a united Jerusalem."

Prime Minister Yitzhak Rabin

Rabin also stressed his government's dedication to the peace process.

"The peace process" most historic moment did not occur with Palestine Liberation Organization Chairman Yasser Arafat in September, he said.

"The historic breakthrough did not take place on the lawns of the White House on the 13th of September, but took place on the lawns of the White House in 1978 upon the signing of the Camp David accord," Rabin said.



NATIONAL

WASHINGTON (JTA) — Due to the overwhelming popularity of the U.S. Holocaust Memorial Museum in recent months, museum officials are encouraging future visitors not to come — at least not yet. The museum has drawn such large crowds that officials have been forced to hire more employees than initially planned, and the resulting wear and tear on the museum will require additional refurbishing.

WASHINGTON (JTA) — In the wake of an appeals court decision last week overturning the 1985 extradition of John Demjanuk, some Jewish officials here are protesting insinuations by the court that the Justice Department bowed to pressure from Jewish interests. The appeals court ruled the Justice Department prosecutors had committed fraud by withholding evidence while obtaining Demjanuk's extradition order to Israel.

NEW YORK (JTA) — Homosexual rabbis and cantors have long had two options: to keep their sexual orientation a carefully guarded secret or to work at one of the handful of gay and lesbian synagogues in North America. The environment has been slowly changing, allowing some gay clergy to make their orientation known to their mainstream congregations without the admission ending their careers. Their experiences, however, remain the exception. Most gay clergy cannot reveal their identity.

NEW YORK (JTA) — The Anti-Defamation League has reached a settlement with the San Francisco district attorney's office, which has been investigating the ADL for months, by agreeing to an injunction not to use illegal methods to monitor the activities of others. In the settlement, ADL officials admitted no wrongdoing and denied that they had sought illegally obtained information despite San Francisco District Attorney Arlo Smith's contention that their fact-finding methods had breached the law.

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FEATURE

Elie Weisel Discusses the Creative Process at Boston University

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Reporter
"An agonizing pleasure... or maybe a pleasurable agony!" This is how Elie Weisel describes the act of writing. One of his B.U. seminar students, Sohyun Bae, had taken my RISD elective called "Jewish Narrative." She went on to do graduate work in Boston and got into Weisel's popular course at the School of Theology.

The two of them, professor and student, asked me to come

up and sit in on the class, which deals with Weisel's own body of work. The group of about 60 people all held *The Testament* in their hands.

"I spent years researching the background for this book. I read Marx and the history of Lenin and Trotsky, the story of communism. I could see how Jews from the Pale could go for a vision of a finer life, freer, more hopeful, a messianism without G-d, a promise of change."

"But after the Stalin-Hitler

pac, how could a Jew stay in there? Yet my friend Howard Fast took it on the chin and remained faithful to Communism." Stalin hated the Jews out of envy. They were close to Lenin at the very start.

I rode up with a RISD student, Jonas Hauptman, who brought his camera along. The secretary let only me step over the blind threshold into the inner sanctum of the classroom. We were 20 minutes late, trapped in the tangle of trucks on the bridges and in the tunnels, twisting and turning until we found the quiet halls of the university.

The famous author and winner of the Nobel peace prize greeted me with a soft smile and handed me his own chair. Dressed neatly and compactly in a navy blazer and gray flannels with polished loafers in classic college elegance, but with dark wild hair as a dramatic halo ("You used to say he looked like the wandering Jew," my former student, Sohyun, said to me later), Weisel stood at a giant conference table.

He murmured with a crisp Rumanian accent in a quiet, close-up, resonant voice. He nodded and called on the questions and raised hands of an attractive bunch of participants, better turned out and more studiously composed than his Providence art disciples.

"The two ideologies of our century, communism and Nazism, but the Nazi regime was far worse. It held no hope, only the arrogance of conquest for the masters." Most of the discussion centered around the issue of whether the Holocaust figures within his latest novel.

"I have very few obvious references, only a page or a few paragraphs. But it unfolds what it leaves out."

Sohyun put in a few words. "I read your every word with artistic pleasure. I hated to turn the last page and close the covers."

A young man in a crisp white shirt and necktie noted that the characters don't brood alone, they deal with each other. "My work changed after I got married," confided the author. "This is my story about a father and son, a mystical bond. In this story, the father is absent, but the boy idealizes him and punishes the mother for his disappearance. But the tie between a man and his son can be very beautiful," almost whispers Weisel, who has one son, a senior at Yale.

Elie Weisel pulls you inward with his refined demeanor that haunts you and hovers over you. Like a great star, he finishes quickly and rather suddenly. He turns the knob and leaves the room, while an assistant takes over the discussion.

My pupil Jonas snaps a quick shot of our handshake in the corridor and of Sohyun's beaming greeting. "I am so happy to have her in my class. Yes, of course I remember meeting you in Providence." Then Elie Weisel was gone.

"I don't quite know why I am so drawn to Jewish history," says Sohyun over coffee in the B.U. refectory. "Maybe it has to do with Korea. We are the Jews of Asia. Crushed by outside enemies, China and Japan, we bend inward and cling together, searching for our own roots, although we have been occupied again and again."

"For the Jews it was the Russians and the Germans. It's not the same, but it brings us together. Professor Weisel told me his son

goes out with a Korean girl at Yale. He seems to accept that." Jonas Hauptman, my companion for the afternoon, comes to my journalism class on College Hill. On the road back in his truck, he smiled and said, "You are justly pulling me back to my Judaism."

"No," I responded. "You came to me in order to find your own way back to your people. But it isn't a step backward. It's going forward. Traditions don't root us in a static way. They give us a tap from which to move up and seek out light and spread as wide as we can stretch ourselves."

WWI Vet

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He reads newspapers with a scanner that projects magnified words onto a television screen. What he reads worries him. The world today is a more violent, dangerous place than the one he remembers.

"I hate to see what's going on," he said. "I didn't expect to be able to see how tough things are today. In those days, we didn't hear nothing about it. Maybe it was going on, but today it's terrible, wicked. Things have changed a whole lot since I was a boy. Changed for the worst."

On Nov. 11, Michael Freedman received a medal commemorating the 75th anniversary of the armistice for World War I.

Freedman has resided in Rhode Island since 1905 and has been a member of Lenas Hatzedek, Sons of Abraham, and Shaare Tzedek Synagogues.

The presentation at the Rhode Island Veterans' Home in Bristol was witnessed by his twin great-grandsons, Nathan and Joshua, by his grandson, Joel, and by his son, Stanley.

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City Nights Dinner Theatre will hold auditions for the February production of "Arsenic and Old Lace" Nov. 28 and 29 at 7 p.m.; call 723-6060.

The Providence Mandolin Orchestra will present a concert at 3 p.m. Nov. 28 at the Music Mansion, 88 Meeting St., Providence. The orchestra will feature works by Verdi, Martel, Bach, Handel and contemporary settings.

Bristol Community College will hold a free concert Nov. 29 at 2 p.m. as the UMass Dartmouth Stage Band will perform a program of big band music under the direction of Gene Crisafulli; call (508) 678-2811.

Edward Markward, professor of music at Rhode Island College, will conduct the RIC Chamber Singers and Orchestra in a Nov. 29 concert at 8:15 p.m. in Roberts Hall auditorium; call 456-8244.

A Pair of Films from Overseas

by Mike Fink
Herald Contributing Reporter
There are those among the public and the critics who write off the Ivory-Merchant productions as mere middle-class masterpieces of theater videos, not movies on the cutting edge of the state-of-the-art medium.



For this reviewer, however, the virtues of "Remains of the Day" lift it far and above today's screeching farce and fantasy. "Remains" even carries the Merchant-Ivory teamwork beyond their previous translations of literature to the screen. Their special strength lies in their restraint.

You've probably read about the plot. A butler (Anthony Hopkins) and a housekeeper (Emma Thompson) make eyes at each other among the servants' secret corridors of a Grand Hotel-like stately home. Under crystal chandeliers and among crystal wine glasses Nazis dine with Lord Darlington (James Fox) and discuss the fate of the world, wrapped in circles of park, garden, and groomed wilderness. War has not yet come to disturb Britain.

Two German Jewish sisters come to work, but Lord Darlington fires them. He doesn't wish tactlessly to offend his Nazi guests. Do they go back to Germany, the camps, death? We never find out. Instead, scene by scene, this island of high and misguided hero-worship is unraveled.

Nothing is spelled out for you, thrown in your face, pushed rudely at you, insultingly overstated. The acting, the care of the camera, the delicious wit of the script, leave something for you to figure out. Everything goes right in "Remains of the Day."

Jane Campion's "Piano," however, left much to be desired by me. You have seen the

trailer logo. A woman all in black (Holly Hunter) washes ashore in New Zealand with a child and a piano, upon which she plays her mood and her mind. Her new husband (Sam Neill) will not pay the Maoris to carry away the musical instrument. Why? Instead, a rough fellow (the hot but homely Harvey Keitel) rescues the baby grand and wins the hand (minus one ivory and one finger, later on), of the dark lady.

If you saw "Farewell My Concubine" you will take note that chopping off a finger of your beloved has turned into an instant cliché this autumn movie season.

I've seen all the Campion cinema fare at the Avon. I confess I don't like her much. She may (Continued on Page 19)

Bresler to Appear at Stone Soup

If there's any music in America more infectious than Cajun music, more insistent that you get to your feet and dance, it's klezmer music, the wild, gypsy-influenced music of the Jews of Eastern Europe. In Rhode Island there is, happily, lots of opportunity to hear Cajun music but rare are the chances to enjoy klezmer.

That's why each year Stone

Soup presents Rhode Island's klezmer "mensch" Michael (Fishe) Bresler and this year his appearance on Nov. 27 is especially noteworthy for it is the Providence coffeehouse's last show at its familiar home for more than seven years, the undercroft of the Church of the Redeemer, 655 Hope St.

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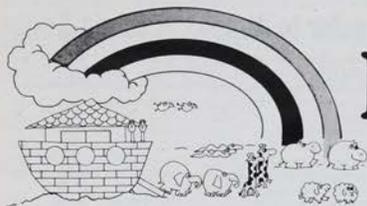
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People Of The Book

How nice that Chanukah and Jewish Book Month are so close together this year! November is Jewish Book Month and we light the first Chanukah candle at sundown, December 8, 1993. Books make great Chanukah gifts and Jewish Book Month is the best time to make your choices!

Jewish books have been popular almost as long as there have been Jews. However, the first writers of Jewish stories did not write books exactly. They wrote "midrashim." The word midrash comes from the Hebrew word meaning "to search." In the early days of the Bible, the rabbis wanted everyone to know and understand Jewish laws and history. The rabbis were concerned that simple people wouldn't be able to understand the meanings behind the Bible stories. They wanted to teach the ideas of the Bible to all people, not just other rabbis.

To reach the ordinary people, the rabbis would preach in the synagogues on Sabbaths and holidays. Instead of giving sermons like modern-day rabbis do, they made their points by telling stories or midrashim. In the midrashim, they not only discussed the Bible but also the problems that the people were having. During sad times, the rabbis used the stories to give the people courage and faith in God. The stories would tell of God's love for the people and God's promise for a better future.

Many of the sermons were collected and written down as books of midrashim. Today we have more than one hundred of these books.

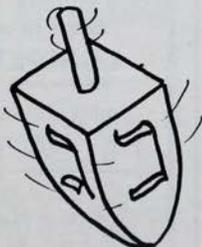
Even today, authors write midrashim – stories to teach or explain something. Many modern stories for Jewish children could even be called kinds of midrashim. If the story is just for fun, then it's just a story. If a story also teaches Jewish value, then it's also a midrash.

How To Play Dreidel

The Hebrew letters on the dreidel are nun, gimel, hay, and shin. We say that the letters stand for "Nes Gadol Haya Sham – A Great Miracle Happened There." The letters on the dreidel did not start out as a sentence though. The letters were a code telling how to play the game! The same letters are used in both the Hebrew and Yiddish languages. In Yiddish, the letters on the dreidel mean the following:

Nun stands for "nish", which means "nothing." Put nothing in and take nothing out.

Gimel stands for "gantz", which means "all." Win the whole pot.



Hay stands for "halb", which means "half." Win half the pot.

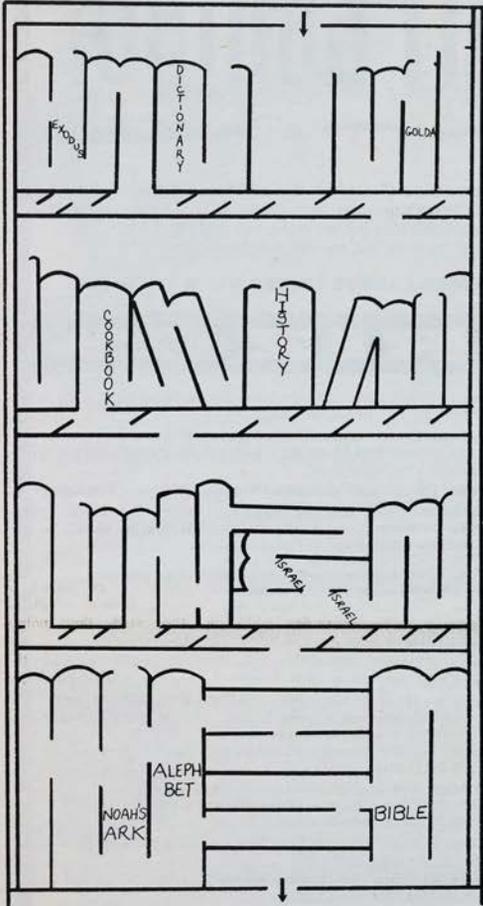
Shin stands for "shetell," meaning "put it or "add." Add one to the pot.



To play the game, each player puts a token (nut, penny, or toothpick) into the pot. The each player takes a turn spinning the dreidel. Depending on which letter turns up, the player gets nothing, gets all, gets half, or adds to the pot. The player getting the most tokens at the end of the game wins.

Bookshelf Maze

Find your way through this maze of books. Do not cross any lines or words.



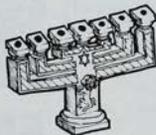
חפש מילים (Chee-pes Mee-leem) - Word Find

Find and circle the Chanukah words listed below. They can go across or up and down - and some are even spelled backwards!

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| Antiochus | Judah | Nes |
| Candle | Latkes | Oil (2 times) |
| Chanukah | Maccabee | Presents |
| Dreidel | Menorah | Shamash |
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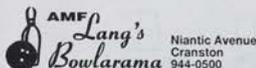
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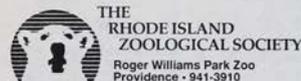
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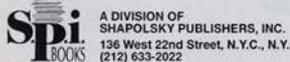
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Judges for the 1993 Chanukah Art Contest

Rabbi George Astrachan, Temple Sinai, Cranston; Rabbi Nechama Goldberg, Temple Am David, Warwick; Michael Fink, Herald contributing reporter and RISD professor; Johanna Sparling, Herald graphic artist; Jonas Hauptman, RISD art student

Winners will be contacted by telephone by December 7 and announced in the December 9 Issue

Prizes will be awarded on December 9 at a party in the JCCRI Social Hall on Elmgrove Avenue, Providence, beginning at 3:30 p.m. and ending promptly at 5 p.m. Judges are also invited to attend.

For more information, call 724-0200

MILESTONES

United Synagogue Elects Alan Ades as New President



Howard and Frances Gladstone

Rosen and Gladstone Wed

Temple Beth-El was the setting for the Oct. 17 wedding of Frances Rosen and Howard Gladstone. The bride is the daughter of the late Al and Sarah Rosen of Warwick. The bridegroom is the son of Joseph and Lillian Gladstone of Providence.

Rabbi Leslie Y. Gutterman

officiated at the 1:30 p.m. ceremony, which was followed immediately by a reception at the Crestwood Country Club in Rehoboth, Mass.

Given in marriage by her uncle, Morris Cohen, the bride was attended by two matrons of honor, Elly Hoffman and Vi McKenna. Ted Katz served as best man.

The bride is a graduate of Hope High School and Sweeney School. She is a tumor registrar at Radiation Oncology Associates Inc.

The bridegroom, also a graduate of Hope High School, graduated from Chamberlain Junior College in Boston. He is an executive at Enterprise Fuels Inc.

They couple honeymooned in Disneyworld in Orlando, Fla. They have made their home in North Providence.



Yitzchak Gottlieb

NEAT Student is Semi-Finalist in Scholarship Program

Yitzchak Gottlieb of the New England Academy of Torah has qualified as a semi-finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Program.

In each annual National Merit Scholarship Program, about 50,000 academically able secondary school students are honored, but only about 15,000 of them are named semi-finalists.

Students who qualify as semi-finalists are the only program participants who have an opportunity to advance to final standing and compete for about 6,500 Merit Scholarships. Winners of Merit Scholarships in the 39th annual Merit Program (1994) will be announced next spring.

The United Synagogue of Conservative Judaism has elected Alan Ades of New Bedford, Mass., to serve as the organization's 22nd international president. The installation took place on Nov. 14 at the group's 1993 Biennial Convention, held at the Bonaventure Resort & Spa in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

Ades has held many prominent positions in the United Synagogue, including immediate past treasurer, vice president, president, New England Region, and chairman, Council of Regional Presidents.

In assuming the new office, Ades told the convention delegates that "We have the obligation and responsibility to perpetuate our heritage and the opportunity to help create a quality and depth of Jewish experience that will promote Jewish identity and continuity."

According to the new president, "Conservative Judaism provides the opportunity for each of us to live Jewishly in modern society. Living Jewishly can give us the sense of unity needed to confront the future with confidence and with optimism. If we are confident in our role, we will be able to inspire others to move forward. If we can project the proper image, then truly the future will be a bright one — for the United Synagogue and for all of Conservative Jewry."

Ades has long been actively involved in the Conservative movement and is currently vice president of the Foundation for Conservative Judaism in Israel, co-chairman of the Conservative Movement's Program for Jewish Continuity, and United Synagogue's representative on the Continental Commission for Jewish Identity and Continuity. He also serves as a board member and executive commit-

tee member of Mercaz and as a board member of the World

president is a national vice chairman of the United Jewish Appeal.

Presently, Ades is the chairman of States Nitewear Inc., and a member of the board of directors of the NBB Bancorp, University of Massachusetts (Dartmouth) Foundation, as well as numerous civic and business organizations.

A board member and past president of both Tifereth Israel Congregation, New Bedford, Mass., and the Jewish Federation of Greater New Bedford, he is a current board member of CLAL, the National Conference on Soviet Jewry, and AZYF. He also serves as South-eastern Massachusetts chairman of the Anti-Defamation League.

A graduate of Yale University and Harvard Business School, Alan Ades and his wife, Ruth, have four children and five grandchildren.



Alan Ades

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'Mr. Food' Wows Crowd

"Mr. Food" Art Ginsburg is seen at College Hill Book Store with Kenneth Dulgarian on Nov. 10. The author-signing event was sparked by Mr. Food's effervescent personality. He greeted a lively crowd with handshakes, hugs and kisses. He autographed copies of his books with a personalized "Ooh, it's so good!!!" inscription.

Cranston-Warwick Group of Hadassah to Hold Chanukah Party

The Cranston - Warwick Group of Hadassah will meet on Dec. 6 for its Chanukah celebration.

Copresidents, Ruth Fink and Ruth Ross will chair this afternoon, starting at 1 p.m. at Letter Carrier's Hall, Mayfield Avenue, Cranston.

Geraldine Foster, the well-known and inspiring speaker,

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will present a Chanukah story.

Those planning to attend should bring a 1-pound item as a gift, which will be auctioned off. Potato pancakes, coffee and pastries will be served.

As the year progresses, many of the group's members continue to sew, knit and volunteer their time for children at Rhode Island Hospital, and look forward to the opening of the Hasbro Children's Hospital in February, 1994. This project of dolls and booties for the small patients is one of the most rewarding activities of this group.

Chanukah Gift and Book Fair Opens

Touro Synagogue's annual Chanukah Gift and Book Fair opened on Nov. 21. This project is aimed at providing suitable holiday supplies and gifts for Touro's congregants as well as members of the community.

The fair will be open for shoppers during regular office hours, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m., Mondays through Thursdays; Fridays 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; and Sundays, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.

The fair, located in the Touro Community Center, at the corner of Touro and Division streets, will run through the Chanukah holidays, the last day of the fair being Dec. 12.



Beth-El Bowling

by
Jeffrey L. Goldberg
Special to the *Herald*

After almost two seasons of bowling, writing about everyone else, it finally happened. It happened in a big way. Yes, this writer, affectionately known as the "short fat guy" rolled a 645 series. Jeff Goldberg rolled a 221, 225, and 199 for a 645 series. Anything is possible.

By the way, Goldberg's team, Spare Change, is out of the basement having won seven of its last eight. The team took three of four from Len Berk's Come Screen With Me Team and wasted a fine 233 performance by Rick (Say Hey) Bloom.

The league wishes a speedy recovery to Smokin Joe Goodman who is on the DL list for a month. Sy Brooks has temporarily dropped out of the top five. The sunshine state is a little disappointed. The last few breakfasts at Wolfies have been lackluster.

Team Standings (Week 10)
Howie's Hammers 28, 8; Baker Furniture 25.5, 10.5; Come Screen With Me 21.5, 14.5; Standard Glass 21, 15; Tooth Fairies 19.5, 16.5; Oakland Mobil 16, 20; Shamoaks 15, 21; Goldstein Electric 14, 22; Spare Change 14, 22; Halperin & Lax 12.5, 5.

Top Five Bowlers: Benny Diaz, 193.2; Barry Rappoport, 188.7; Joseph Goodman, 185.8; Howie Wasser, 183.3; Rick

Dressler, 180.1.

Most pins over average: Joseph Goodman, 143.

The Beth-El league will take a Thanksgiving break and resume action Dec. 2.

Nov. 18 was a difficult night for some of our highest average bowlers. Benny Diaz threw a 150 game. Rick Dressler was talking to himself about a new ball, Jeff Cutler saw more splits than at an ice cream shop.

Rick Bloom threw fate to the wind by tossing a league leading 256. Spare Change took four games from Standard Glass and now have won 11 of 12.

The Shamrocks swept four from first place Howie's Hammers.

Team Standings (Week 11)
Howie's Hammers 30, 10; Baker Furniture 26.5, 13.5; Standard Glass 24, 16; Come Screen With Me 22.5, 17.5; Tooth Fairies 20.5, 19.5; Shamrocks 18, 22; Oakland Mobil 17, 23; Spare Change 17, 23; Goldstein Electric 16, 24; Halperin & Lax 15.5, 24.5.

Top Five: Benny Diaz, 192; Barry Rappoport, 188.8; Joe Goodman, 186; Howie Wasser, 183.3; Rick Dressler, 180.9.

Most pins over average: Jeff Goldberg, 192; Rick Bloom, 90.

High Game: Howie Wasser, 233.

High Series: Jeff Goldberg, 645.

Calendar of Jewish Events

Friday, November 26

Temple Torat Yisrael
Fall Book Review Series, *To Life!* 8 p.m.

Saturday, November 27

Ira and Anna Galkin Concert, "Paved with Gold" at Temple Torat Yisrael 8 p.m.

Tuesday, November 30

"The Caribbean Islands to Aquidneck Island — The Touro Connection" at Touro Synagogue 7 p.m.

Wednesday, December 1

Gallery 401 reception for Marjorie Ball 7-8:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 2

"Let Your Child Choose Day" at JCCRI ... 9 a.m.-4 p.m.
"A Medical, Ethical and Communal Response to AIDS" at JCCRI 7:30 p.m.

Friday, December 3

Alperin Schechter open house 9-11 a.m.

Torat Yisrael Fall Book Review Series,
A Child's Book of Mishnah 7:30 p.m.

First Fridays Dialogue with Authors
at Congregation Mishkan Tefila
Chestnut Hill, Mass. 8:15 p.m.

Sunday, December 5

Parent/Child Chanukah Workshop
at JCCRI 1:30-3:30 p.m.

Monday, December 6

Playwright Paula Vogel speaks at JCCRI 7 p.m.

Wednesday, December 8

Cranston Senior Guild annual
Chanukah Holiday Luncheon noon

Gladys C. Kapstein Memorial Lecture
with Rabbi Arthur Green
at Brown University 8 p.m.

Thursday, December 9

Rhode Island Jewish Herald Chanukah Party
and Awards Ceremony 3:30-5 p.m.

All-Center JCCRI Chanukah Party 6-8 p.m.

Sunday, December 12

Winter meeting of R.I. Jewish
Historical Association at JCCRI 2 p.m.

Grandparents' and Parents' Special
story and crafts hour
for children 3-8 at JCCRI 2-3 p.m.

Reading of *Until Death Do Us Part*, a play
written by Ray Eichenbaum at JCCRI 2-4 p.m.

Touro Community Chanukah Party 3 p.m.

Zamir Chorale of Boston presents
Lights: The Chanukah Concert
at Northeastern University 3 p.m.

Tuesday, December 14

Chanukah Story Hour for Children
at Newport Art Museum 3:30 p.m.

Wednesday, December 15

Slide lecture by Nelly Toll about experiences
as a child hiding during the
Holocaust at JCCRI 7:30 p.m.

Members of the community are invited to submit a calendar listing (in addition to press releases) to the *Herald* in writing by the Friday before publication. The event title, date and time, place and a contact person with phone number should be listed. Send items to: Calendar, Rhode Island Jewish Herald, P.O. Box 6063, Providence, R.I. 02940

THE JEWISH COMMUNITY

Interfaith Group to Hold Reception at the Rhode Island Statehouse

The Aristides Sousa Mendes Society is holding a reception at the Rhode Island Statehouse, State Room, on Dec. 2 at 5 p.m. This reception is to present the first issue of society's journal *Reunir* and to recognize a distinguished visiting scholar and former diplomat from Israel, Mordechai Arbell.

The Aristides de Sousa Mendes Society is an interfaith multicultural organization dedicated to the study of the heritage and culture of Iberian Jews and their descendants, and to the promotion of friendship between descendants of Iberian Jews and the Jewish community.

The society is named after a Portuguese diplomat renowned for saving many thousands of Jews during World War II. The membership welcomes anyone who shares an interest in promoting friendship and understanding between these communities.

Mordechai Arbell is currently the Touro National Heritage

Trust Fellow at the John Carter Brown Library and Visiting Research Associate in the program of Judaic studies at Brown University. He is a research fellow at the Ben-Zvi Institute for the study of Jewish communities in the East at the Hebrew University in Jerusalem and an adviser to the World Jewish Congress.

In a long career, he was the ambassador of Israel to Panama and Haiti, chargé d'affaires at the Israeli Embassy in Seoul, Korea, and the consul of Israel in Bogota, Colombia.

Arbell is the featured speaker for this event and his topic will be "Roads to Freedom: Christians Saving Jews During World War II — A Personal Story."

Gov. Bruce Sundlun and Secretary of State Leonard have been invited to attend and make remarks. State legislators and leaders of the Portuguese and Jewish communities have also been invited.



Can You Help Us?

Taken in the late 1940s or early 1950s, this photo is one of a group which were copied from the Feinberg family's historian, Irma Feinberg Meggido of New York. She has identified three of the women, but the one with a cigarette is not identified. Seated (from left) are: Sara Sobloff Feinberg, Miriam Grossman Fain, and Sarah Feinberg Grossman. Irving Fain is seen standing. Anyone with more information on the photo is welcome to call the Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association at 331-1360.

Anne Grant to Address Hadassah

The Pawtucket Group of Hadassah will hold its annual paid-up membership event on Nov. 29 at 7 p.m. at Highland Court, Providence. All new members will be recognized at the petite supper.

"Hadassah, known for its award-winning educational programs and seminars, was the reason for selecting Anne Grant as our guest speaker," said program chairwoman, Miriam Platt. Grant's topic is "Recognizing and Responding to Domestic Abuse in the Jewish Community."

Grant currently serves as the executive director of the Women's Center of Rhode Island. She has served as a project director for the Women's Action Alliance Inc. in New York and WNET-TV/NY City Board of Education.

During her service as Pastor of the Canaan United Methodist Church in Connecticut, Grant worked on program development, community outreach and counseled individuals and families in crisis. Grant also chaired and organized youth programs and support groups for women clergy. She has served as consultant to numerous councils, written

several books, and produced eight television programs.

In 1975, Grant received the Clarion Award for "Ms. the Fight for Women's Rights," and The Educational Press Association of America Award, "Best Feature Article in an Educational Journal, 1972," for "Sex Bias in the Public Schools."

Linda Sinele, membership chairwoman, and her committee of Esther Alter and Barbara Hecker have planned an informative evening. For information and reservations, call Linda at 727-0086.

Congregation Begins Preschool Program

A monthly preschool program for children ages 3, 4 and 5 will begin Dec. 6 from 3 to 5 p.m. at Congregation Agudas Achim in Attleboro, Mass.

The class will meet the first Monday of each month through June. The children will participate in hands-on activities to learn about Jewish customs and holidays.

The cost of the program is \$50 for synagogue members

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Providence Mayor Vincent A. Cianci Jr. accepts a plaque from the Holocaust Survivors of Rhode Island, in recognition of his support of the Jewish community, at the dedication of a new sculpture at the Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial Museum on Nov. 9, the 55th anniversary of Kristallnacht. Presenting the plaque to the mayor are (from left) Edward Adler, secretary, R.I. Holocaust Survivors organization; Morris Gasfreund; and David Newman, president, R.I. Holocaust Survivors organization. The Rhode Island Holocaust Museum ensures that we will learn from the terrible atrocities of the past. It is a living memorial to those who were brutally murdered, and it is a symbol of the strength and persistence of those who survived," Cianci said at the dedication.

Mayor Cianci also presented a check for \$16,000 from the city of Providence to sculptor Barney Zeitz. The city contributed \$35,000 to the Holocaust Memorial Museum.

Federation Plans Super Sunday

The Jewish Federation of Rhode Island is looking for volunteers to help with its annual fund-raising telethon, Super Sunday, on Dec. 5, at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrave Ave., Providence.

Volunteers can choose one or all of the three shifts: 9 a.m.

to noon, 11 a.m. to 2 p.m., and 6 to 9 p.m., or Super Week, Dec. 14 to 16, 6 to 9 p.m. Training and refreshments will be provided.

Super Sunday raises funds for local social service agencies including Jewish Family Service, Jewish Community Center,

Jewish Eldercare of Rhode Island, the Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island and Hillel foundations on college campuses. Moneys are also used to aid humanitarian efforts nationally, in Israel and in more than 50 countries around the world.

Super Sunday '94 is the federation's 13th annual phenomenon. Each year, volunteers raise more than \$100,000 in that one day.

For more information, contact Elisa Silverstein at the federation, 421-4111.

JCCRI Will Celebrate Printed Word in Dec.

"Celebration of the Printed Word," the JCCRI's annual Jewish book and cultural festival, will commence on the first day of December this year and run for two weeks. The event, held at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrave Ave. in Providence, celebrates Jewish Book Month and offers many special activities and programs for all ages.

The community is invited to browse through the vast assortment of Jewish books and latest best sellers at the featured book sale, hear guest speakers and attend the tea tasting and Gallery 401 opening reception.

The following is the schedule of events for the two-week series:

On Dec. 1 from 7 to 8:30 p.m., a gallery reception will be held for watercolorist Marjorie Ball, with an English tea tasting. The event, sponsored by the JCCRI's Gallery 401, is free and open to the community.

Dec. 2 from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m., is "Let Your Child Choose Day," an opportunity for children (with or without parents) to browse the vast selection of children's books. Sponsored by the JCCRI preschool, it is free and open to the community.

"A Jewish Response to AIDS" will be held Dec. 2 at 7 p.m. Why is AIDS a Jewish Issue? A panel representing a cross section of people most involved with and affected by

AIDS in the '90s. The event, which is free and open to the community, is cosponsored by the Community Relations Council of the Jewish Federation of Rhode Island, the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, the Bureau of Jewish Education of Rhode Island and Jewish Family Service.

A parent/child Chanukah workshop will be held on Dec. 5 from 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. Participants will learn all about the holiday, its origin and its traditions, make holiday crafts and enjoy refreshments. Sponsored by the center's afterschool programs, KidSpace and Preteen Connection, the event is for children of all ages and their parents, and costs \$2 per child. Paula Vogel, Brown University professor and famous playwright (award-winning *Baltimore Waltz*) will speak about her work as a playwright, both locally and in New York City on Dec. 6 at 7 p.m. Sponsored by the JCCRI's Cultural Arts Department, the event is free and open to the community.

On Dec. 7 from noon to 1:30 p.m., guest speakers will be political journalist Russell Garland and music critic Channing Gray, both of the *Providence Journal*. The event costs \$2 for JCCRI members, \$4 for non-members, and includes a dairy lunch. It is sponsored by the JCCRI Brown Bag and Golden

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Meal Site to Show 'Fires of the Mind, the Brain'

"Fires of the Mind, the Brain" is the title of the JCCRI's kosher meal site VCR presentation next week. The program will be shown on Nov. 28 from 11 a.m. to noon at the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island, 401 Elmgrave Ave., Providence.

The kosher meal site invites seniors to join in a variety of activities and to share a hot kosher meal at noon weekly, Sunday through Friday. Doors open weekdays at 10 a.m., with casual conversation in the lobby for an hour. Exercise is scheduled during the week at 11:15 a.m.

Bridge is held on Mondays from noon to 3:45 p.m.; Women's Forum is held on

Tuesdays from 11:15 a.m. to noon; "Friend to Friend" meets on Thursdays from 11 a.m. to noon, and music appreciation with Dr. Wold is held on Fridays from 11 a.m. to noon.

Shabbat traditions are observed on Friday evenings. Tea, coffee and hot muffins are served on Sundays at 10 a.m. and movies and video programs are held once or twice a week. Check the kosher meal site calendar, posted in the JCCRI lobby, for a listing of this month's events.

For more information about kosher meal site and senior programs, contact Sandy Bass at 861-8800.

Agudas Achim Begins Adult Brunch Series

On Dec. 2 at 10 a.m., Congregation Agudas Achim in Attleboro, Mass., will host its first older adult brunch program for the year.

Members and nonmembers are welcome to socialize and hear remarks by Rabbi Gail Diamond on "Becoming a Reconstructionist Synagogue." Participants will also be asked to choose future discussion topics.

For directions or further information, contact the synagogue at (508) 222-2243.

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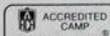
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School Beat



200 Years Ago...

Sidney Dimond discusses life in New England 200 years ago with Alperin Schechter Day School students in the fourth grade recently. Dimond visited the school as part of its Cultural Enrichment Program.



Sekatau Educates Students on the 'Life of the Narragansett'

by Taylor Holland
Herald Reporter

Narragansett Indian and ethnologist Ella Sekatau thrilled children at the Alperin Schechter Day School last week with a very blunt and educational slideshow on "The Life of the Narragansett."

Sekatau told her young but captivated audience the Indians were here well before "Columbus blundered his way here trying to find America" and for basic purpose of Indian culture has not changed as a result of the white settlement of America.

She made it clear that what the children were learning in their history books and from television about the Native

Printed Word

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Age clubs.

An all-center Chanukah party will be held Dec. 9 from 6 to 8 p.m., featuring a hot dog and latke supper. The JCCRI Children's Chorus, B'Yachad will entertain. It is sponsored by the JCCRI Special Events Department.

On Dec. 12 from 2 to 4 p.m., Ray Eichenbaum will read *Until Death Do Us Part*, an original play about the Holocaust. It is suggested for adults and children older than 12 only. The event, which is free and open to the community, is sponsored by the JCCRI's Adult Department and the Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial Museum.

Grandparents' and Parents' Special, a story and crafts hour for children ages 3 to 8 led by Judith Plotz of Books on the Square, will be held Dec. 12 from 2 to 3 p.m. (No child younger than 5 unattended.) Sponsored by the Children's Youth and Family Department, the special hour costs \$1 per child with no charge for parents and grandparents.

Nelly Toll, painter and author of two books including *Behind the Secret Window: A Memoir of a Hidden Childhood*, a book designed for young people, will present a slide lecture about her experiences as a hidden child during the Holocaust on Dec. 15 at 7:30 p.m. Free and open to the community, the event is sponsored by the Rhode Island Holocaust Memorial Museum.

Contact Ruby Shalansky or Pam Lippka at 861-8800 for more information on any of the above events.

PHDS Students Take Trip to Journal

Editor's Note: The following were written by students at Providence Hebrew Day School following an outing to The Providence Journal.

As a class trip we went to the Providence Journal. When we get there we split up into two groups. Each group had a tour guide who took us around. First we saw the ink room. It had a 7000 gallon tank of...ink! But something even more amazing is the paper room. There were millions of huge rolls of paper that weighed over 1000 pounds. To make the paper they took the negatives and put it into a machine that made a plate. The plate had places where it was higher than other parts. Then another. Each was a different size then somehow they'd put it all together and you had a color paper. Then put into another machine and made part of the paper. When the whole paper was done you saw them by the millions and were gripped by grippers to count them. Cool, amazing for sure.

Bashie Lipson

We went to the journal the other day. The first thing we saw was the ink room. The ink is diluted in water, because it is so thick. Next, we looked at a room that had gigantic rolls of paper. We learned how when the paper is finished up, a new roll comes because it has sticky blue tape on it. Then we went upstairs and saw a room that made the negatives of the paper into plates. These plates were used as stamps. In the next room they would go in the ink stamp on the paper etc. etc. The plates were put on this thing that went round and around and kept on stamping, while the paper kept on coming. We also saw how for

each color, one plate is needed. The four main colors were black, yellow, magenta and Sian. We then went into a room where the paper is weighed. We weighed ourselves too. We also looked into the next room and get to watch the paper switch, because of the blue sticky tape. This was special because not everyone gets to see that when they come for a tour. At the end, we all get newspapers from back in the 1800's. We had a great time!!

Rochel Dena Jakubowicz

The visit to the Providence Journal was very interesting. They showed us just how much effort it takes from the time the reporter gets the scoop, till the paper delivers it. On the tour they showed us where the ink was stored. They special names for the red and blue ink. They called red, magenta, blue, Sian, and yellow and black were just called by their regular names. After that we saw the gigantic roles of paper they used for printing. Then we saw the negatives being changed into stamp-like things. Later they would use them for printing the paper. They even let us watch the printing of the paper. At the end of the tour we took back two negatives for the classroom. They gave each of us a copy of a paper they produced in eighteen sixty-nine. The Daily Journal. It was fun to look at ads from eighteen sixty-nine.

Adina Shafar

Servant or Son

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conflict with the evil inclination in order to properly fulfill his master's command, quite frequently doing so only out of a sense of obligation and submission.

Obviously, the level of "Israel" is the one toward which we all strive, yet one cannot reach this level without first passing through the level of "Jacob."

If a Jew is not always enthusiastic in his service, sometimes finding it difficult to serve G-d properly, he should know that this is only natural when one embarks upon a new course. The evil inclination is not vanquished all at once, and it takes time to transform the will of G-d into one's own personal will.

At first (and this stage may last for years), the evil inclination howls in protest, attempting to divert the Jew. But when a Jew consistently stands up for what is right and refuses to despair, the evil inclination is eventually conquered.

This is also one reason why, even after Jacob received the name Israel, he is sometimes referred to in the Torah by his old name.

Adapted from the works of the Lubavitcher rebbe. Submitted by Rabbi Yehoshua Lauler. Reprinted with permission of I. Chaim Publications.

American was largely falsified and untrue.

"TV has brought a story of the Indian that is not true," Sekatau said.

"The Indians learned how to scalp from the French and Spaniards."

Sekatau went on to tell the children the Narragansett tribe numbers around 2,500 and has an operational government equal to that of any state or national government.

She showed slides of Narragansett and described what it was like to live the life of a Narragansett tribal member.

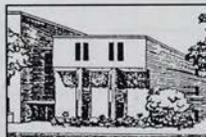
"The earth dictates the way in which we live," she said. "If you had anywhere to go, you went by canoe or you walked."

She also said the Indians wore face paints for protection from the elements like we now wear facial cream or vaseline. The difference being the Indians added color, and were thusly labeled as "red" people by the European settlers.

The children were allowed to try on some Narragansett clothing after the slideshow.

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OBITUARIES

IRVING ALTMAN

PROVIDENCE — Irving Altman, 81, of 53 Holburn Ave., died Sunday at the Rosewood Manor Nursing Home, Providence. He was the husband of Ruth (Shaffrin) Altman.

Born in New Bedford, Mass., a son of the late Morris and Rebecca Altman, he lived in Cranston for 35 years.

Mr. Altman was a manufacturer's representative for Bradley Associates, Boston, and other companies before retiring 15 years ago.

Besides his wife he leaves a son, Michael L. Altman of the Bronx, N.Y.; a daughter, Julie Lane of New York, and two brothers, Charles Altman of Boston, and Sidney Altman of Deerfield Beach, Fla.

The funeral service was held Tuesday at the Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Sinai Memorial Park, Warwick.

HELEN "DUTCHIE" BLAU

WARWICK — Helen "Dutchie" Blau, 77, of 311 Cole Ave., died Saturday at the Kent Nursing Home, Warwick. She was the widow of Benjamin Blau.

Born in Providence, she was a daughter of the late Barnett and Anna (Rosentfeld) Weinbaum.

Mrs. Blau was founder and owner of the former Dutchie's Beauty Salon.

She leaves two sisters, Henrietta Wishevsky of Cranston, and Lena Chairinson of Virginia Beach, Va.; five nieces, Beverly Bazar of Cranston, Edith Norman of Warwick, Joan Perry of Virginia, Irma Katz of Cincinnati, Ohio, Lois Levy of Maine, and two nephews, Bruce Weinbaum of Warwick, and Sheldon Weinbaum in California. She was mother of the late Benita Feurey.

The funeral service was held Monday at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.



Dr. Isadore Gershman

DR. ISADORE GERSHMAN

PROVIDENCE — Dr. Isadore Gershman, 80, a Providence pediatrician for 40 years until his retirement in 1987, died Tuesday at Hospice Care of Rhode Island's Philip Hultier inpatient facility. He was the husband of Helen Gershman of Providence.

Dr. Gershman was a 1934 graduate of Brown University. He received his degree in medicine from Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia in 1938.

A member of the Rhode Island Medical Society and the Providence Medical Association, Dr. Gershman was early in his career elected a Fellow of the American Academy of Pediatrics, and was a licentiate of the American Board of Pediatrics. His articles were published in the *New England Journal of Medicine*, the *American Journal of Diseases of Children*, and the *Rhode Island Medical Journal*.

Dr. Gershman was an instructor in pediatric diagnosis in the Brown University Program in Medicine. He was chief of service and chief of the outpatient department at St. Joseph's Hospital. He was, in addition, on the pediatric staff at Rhode Island Hospital, Roger Williams Hospital, Miriam Hospital, and Women and Infants Hospital. He was

president of the staff and assistant clinical director of the former Charles V. Chapin Hospital in Providence.

In the 1960s and '70s, Dr. Gershman was instrumental in the organization and staffing of neighborhood clinic pilot programs in Providence and North Providence that were under the auspices of Project Head Start.

Dr. Gershman was a Freemason and a life member of Redwood Lodge No. 35. He was a member of Temple Beth-El, the Rhode Island Jewish Historical Association, and the Jewish Community Center of Rhode Island. A dedicated supporter of medical programs in Israel, he was a Life Associate of Hadassah, and a member of the American Physicians' Fellowship for Israel.

Dr. Gershman was a World War II veteran, having served as a captain in a U.S. Army anti-aircraft unit in England and France.

Besides his wife, he is survived by a sister, Mollie Sindle of Providence; a daughter, Sherry Stephens of Danville, Calif.; a son, James Gershman of Cranston; and two grandchildren.

The funeral service was Wednesday at Temple Beth-El. Burial was in Sharon, Mass. The Max Sugarman Memorial Chapel, 458 Hope St., Providence, handled the arrangements. In lieu of flowers, contributions may be made to Hospice Care of R.I., Dr. Isadore Gershman Memorial, 169 George St., Pawtucket, R.I. 02860.

BARBARA L. GORNSTEIN

HIGHLAND BEACH, Fla. — Barbara L. Gornstein, 64, died at her home, 3221 Ocean Blvd., Highland Beach, Fla., Nov. 14. She was the wife of Sidney Gornstein.

A 1951 graduate of Rhode Island College, she taught in the Barrington and Cranston school systems. After leaving teaching, she opened Barb's Antiques and Plants in Edgewood.

She retired in 1989. She is survived by two sons, Martin and Michael Gornstein of Cranston, and a sister, Norma Weisman, also of Cranston.

FREDA JAFFE

HOLLYWOOD, Fla. — Freda Jaffe, 91, of 4330 Hillcrest Drive, Hollywood, Fla., died Saturday at the Sarah S. Brynton Nursing Home. She was the widow of Bernard N. Jaffe. Born in Russia, a daughter of the late Morris and Rose (Finklestein) Serwitz, she lived in Florida for 35 years. She previously lived in New York. Mrs. Jaffe was a member of Temple Beth-El, and was active in Mac-town, Miami, Fla.

She leaves two daughters, June Zeitz of Fall River, and Hilda McVay of Providence; two brothers, Paul Serwitz of Great Neck, Long Island, N.Y., and Irving Serwitz of Boca Raton, Fla.; a sister, Edith Rubinstein of New York; four grandchildren and six great-grandchildren.

The funeral service was held Monday at Fisher Memorial Chapel, 422 N. Main St. Burial was in Temple Beth-El Cemetery.

JENNIE "JEAN" SILVER

PROVIDENCE — Jennie "Jean" Silver, 82, of 75 Eleventh St., a retired secretary and bookkeeper, died Nov. 18 at Hospice Care of Rhode Island, Maude Street, Providence.

A lifelong Providence resident, she was a daughter of the late Samuel and Eva (Bedrick) Silver. She was a member of Temple Emanu-El and the Temple's Sisterhood and Leisure Club. She was a member of Hadassah, a member of the Women's Association of the Jewish Home for the Aged, and of Hamilton House.

She leaves a sister, Minnie R. Silver, with whom she lived. She was the sister of the late Gertrude Silver.

A funeral service was held Sunday at Mount Sinai Memorial Chapel, 825 Hope St., Providence. Burial was in Lincoln Park Cemetery, Warwick.

Jewish Home

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identified in Providence papers as one of the biggest delinquent borrowers in the banking scandal last year, to buy the Jewish Home for \$5.28 million. Giordano filed an application with the state Division of Health Systems Development on Oct. 26 under a new partnership known as Hillside Health Center Associates to buy the Jewish Home and retain its license, but Judge Israel issued the court order on Oct. 27, and the state has been unable to process the application.

The license, too, has been in a state of limbo since that date. Giordano had indicated that he would run at least a wing of the facility in a "traditional" manner.

While the plaintiffs maintain they are not representing Jack Friedman, his offer was submitted by the plaintiffs' lawyers as a potential settlement to the case, since "The primary purpose of the plaintiffs' action was to keep the charity interest active and alive by serving the poor elderly in Rhode Island, and in particular to maintain a kosher Jewish facility for those Jewish people who wished to practice their faith in a community of their religious peers," the offer reads.

"The plaintiffs reiterate that they do not represent Friedman, nor do they care whether the operator of the Jewish Home is

"It's certainly nothing that resembles a settlement offer."

Martin M. Temkin

Friedman or some other operator who will keep the Jewish Home for the Aged alive as a home for the Jewish elderly and infirm," it continues.

Friedman could not be reached for comment.

Testimony in the case, which began Oct. 22, ended two weeks ago, and lawyers for both sides were asked to submit briefs last week. Lawyers representing the plaintiffs turned in briefs to the court last week, but those representing the Jewish Home asked for an extension, and planned to turn them in Wednesday, Temkin said.

"The judge has indicated that he would render a decision fairly promptly," Temkin told the *Herald*. However, it is not known how the judge will view Friedman's offer.

Meanwhile, a *Providence Journal* story on Wednesday noted that Temkin had told Pearlman that he planned to ask the judge for a chamber conference next week on the Friedman offer — something that Temkin flatly denies.

"The Journal reporter] never even spoke to me about it," Temkin said. "We don't contemplate any chambers meetings with the judge."

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Chamish

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inception for reasons that have everything to do with benefits for the United States and less to do with benefits for Israel.

Chamish said because the peace process itself was so immoral (hidden debts, pressures, blackmail of a kind, trading off one favor for another), he feels the resulting peace is bound to be immoral also. How can it succeed, he asks, if most Israelis are against it?

For the first time, regular officers in the Israeli army, in significant numbers, refused to take action against rioting settlers. Chamish predicts an explosion soon, if present trends continue. He said, "An honest process that led to the same thing [the same plan] wouldn't be here today."

Someone in the audience said, "Why discard the whole process? I mean, Rhode Island is corrupt but..."

Chamish snapped right back, "The state of Rhode Island is not going to be overrun by Delaware and Connecticut tomorrow."

The pictures he painted of Israel's economic and political state are disturbing. In the last 15 years, he said, half a million people had emigrated from Israel to seek a better life elsewhere, driven away by a corrupt socialistic system that

thrives on massive cronyism, monopolies, enormous customs, and duties, high taxes and inefficient management.

The people who left were not small children or grandparents, but Israel's most ambitious, eager adults between 20 and 40, whom she could ill afford to lose. He pointed out that half a million out of a total population of 5 million is a big bite.

A listener said, "If you feel that way about it, why don't you leave?"

"Israel is my home. I'm not going to let them drive me out of my home," he said.

But with his next breath, he admitted that his wife is becoming frightened. She, too, foresees an eventual explosion. She fears for their children, and wants to leave Israel.

Chamish added that if the Israeli economy was healthy, the Palestinians could have gotten ahead with their lives — "but they're stuck with the same things we are."

Speaking of the Palestinian refugees, he blamed the Arab states themselves for creating a Palestinian refugee problem. He said that when Jews were displaced, Israel and Jews in other countries took them in. When the Palestinians were displaced, no other Arab state really wanted to accept and absorb them, so they were left to become a sort of permanent nation of non-citizens. He pointed out that the Pal-

estinian birth rate is 39 to 1,000 while the Israeli birth rate is 19 to 1,000. "It doesn't have to be either war or peace, in Israel," he said. "It may have to be little by little, day by day. We want them out of our hair, and they want us out of their hair."

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The figures on Israeli national debt are staggering. If our aid stops, he anticipates a time of painful change followed by the rise of a leaner, stronger Israel economy fueled by privately owned industries and services, high productivity, more open

trade, and the lifting of burdensome taxes. But first, he said, it would be necessary for Israel to learn to depend on itself. He advised Jews in America to keep their money here and spend it on those among them who needed help.

Chamish said, speaking of powerful political figures in Israel who are thought to be lazy, inefficient or corrupt, "The Israeli system corrupts. You don't vote for an individual, you vote for a list. We can't get rid of anyone." Widespread graft and cronyism sap the nation's energy and belief in itself. "All I want is a democracy in Israel."

Chamish apparently realized that much of what he was saying was startling to his audience, and he blamed news management by the U.S. media and government. When his new book, *The Fall of Israel*, was being bought by a prominent publisher, the pens were actually on the table for signing the contract, according to his agent, when the number and intensity of intimidating phone calls about the book caused the pub-

lisher to back off.

The book has been published in Edinburgh, and is being widely discussed and debated in Britain. He hopes it will appear here soon in paperback. The book, or the newsletter, can be ordered through his U.S. representative's sales office. Write to *Inside Israel*, 1456 Second Ave., Suite 142, New York, N.Y. 10021.

Some of the things Chamish said could be construed as slanderous if false, alarming if true, yet he has not been forced to retract or be silent. His chain of evidence is so tightly wrought and so specific and highly detailed, one would think it would be easy for those named in his newsletter, book and speeches to confront and discredit him if he were wrong.

But there he was last week, speaking out at the Brown Faculty Club, charging and challenging for the sixth time on an eight-day tour in this country, tired, but glad to have completed his mission.

Clarification

A story in last week's *Herald* may have misled readers to believe that Holocaust survivor Heinz Sandelowski was arrested and sent to a labor camp after 1938. Actually, Sandelowski was sent to the camp in 1934. While the story was not written in chronological order, it may have caused some confusion among our readers.

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